



TAs disappointed by Dean's offers; meeting tomorrow

by Rory Clarke

Little was accomplished at yesterday's meeting between the McGill Teaching Assistants Association (MTAA) and Dean of Arts Robert Vogel.

Vogel offered the MTAA \$3750 plus tuition fees as a salary. This is a \$1250 increase over the present salary and is retroactive to September 1. "This figure will have to be approved by the Senate budget planning committee," he said. "It doesn't represent my budgetary constraints because I don't have any money—it just seemed like a good round figure."

Vogel remained uncommitted on other MTAA demands

which include a cost of living allowance (COLA) increase, employment guarantee and standardized 10-hour workloads.

"We're very disappointed," said one member of the MTAA coordinating committee. "Initial reaction to Vogel's clarification of his offers have been extremely negative. There may be some problems, but how they materialize remains to be seen." The MTAA will decide at a meeting Wednesday if they will accept Vogel's offers.

Vogel stated that whether or not TAs receive COLA depended on whether McGill faculty received one. That, in turn, depends on how much money the Quebec Government will allot them. "I'm not quite sure why we should treat the TA budget differently from the faculty budget," Vogel said.

One MTAA member said this was an invalid argument. "Since we earn considerably less than faculty, we're not subject to the same federal controls. The TAs have always been dealt with separately from the faculty, and there is no reason why we should have to depend on what the faculty

gets," he said.

At the MTAA's request, Vogel reaffirmed the 10-hour work week. One TA for the French as a Second Language department said this was unfair, since it did not distinguish between TAs who were actually lecturers. Sixty-five percent of classes in her department were taught by TAs, she said. Her own responsibilities included teaching two intensive beginner courses for a work week which totalled approximately 50 hours, but she was receiving \$3,000 a year like other TAs.

When asked to recognize the MTAA as the formal negotiating body for all TAs, Vogel countered by saying that he recognized them "as much as he recognized anyone else." When pressed to give them de facto recognition in the form of a letter, Vogel said, "You're trying to force me to say something I don't know." He said he would put the rest of his offers in writing.

TAs will decide if they will continue current work slowdowns when they discuss Vogel's offers at the MTAA meeting on Wednesday.

Arts Dean Robert Vogel has not yet made TAs an offer they can't refuse. His only firm proposal so far, a \$1250 salary increase plus fees, looks good to the TAs, but they are annoyed with the Dean's waffling on other issues. A TA meeting tomorrow may result in a strike.

Executive retains functions through rookie committee

by Norman J. Stark

The Interim Policy Committee (IPC) held its first meeting last night, and proved to all present that the road to new student government is going to be a rocky one indeed.

In its only major policy decision of the evening, the IPC allowed the former Students' Society Executive to retain some of their duties, while giving others to the Managerial Committee and the Building Manager.

Since the suspension of the constitution the Executive has been without official status.

The debate over the Executive's role was sparked by an accusation from Mrs. Sadie Hempey that they were interfering with her attempts to run the Society office smoothly.

Hempey is the assistant to Dean of Students Saeed Mirza, and a past comptroller of the Students' Society. She agreed to help Students' Society straighten out its administrative mess after repeated requests for her to do so from the old Executive and Students' Council.

Stating that they were in a "new ball game," Hempey said that the old Executive had to stop performing their former duties, which she is now supposed to handle, and threatened to resign her post if

the matter was not resolved in the meeting.

Despite her claims that this was not "a personal vendetta," IPC put the matter down to a personality conflict, after Andrew Yearwood and Kyriakos Matziorinis denied her charges. Both stated that they were astonished that she felt this way, and promised not to take any action in the future that might be construed as meddling.

The above was the most interesting aspect of a long night, which saw one motion put to a vote three times before finally being passed. The debate had centred around the present responsibilities of the former Internal and External vice-presidents.

Both Matziorinis and former Internal Vice-President Albert Seidler wished to retain their responsibilities, since they felt they were best equipped to do these jobs.

Some committee members were in favour of delegating those duties to the Managerial Committee, whose members unfortunately have yet to be named. Others favoured a combination of the Building Manager, the Managerial Committee, and the former Executives.

This was what finally passed, after three hours of rather rambling debate, which saw

confusion at some times and redundancy at others.

One encouraging aspect of the meeting was the determination of many members to avoid getting bogged down in pointless debate. This goal was not met last night, but Chairman Lorne Merryweather stated that he had hopes that this would not be the case in the future.

"These kinds of problems are almost impossible to avoid at the first meeting, but hopefully we will accomplish more next week," said Merryweather.

Issues still facing IPC at the moment, (the agenda had to be cut short because of time limitations) are: the question of meal money for the former execs, which is presently cut off; the disposition of the rooms which the former officers still occupy in the Union; the fate of the new pub and the cafeteria renovations, which were under the sole direction of the former exec; and finally the question that most students are concerned about, the future of pubnites and Gertrude's.

These will all have to be dealt with soon, as the present state of limbo has severely curtailed the student activities all over campus.

Applications are now available for student and staff positions on the new committees, and all interested are urged to fill one out.

On the death of Professor Weinroth

McGill University suffered a great loss on the first of January when Howard Weinroth, Assistant Professor in the Department of History, died while on sabbatical leave in Manchester, England.

There could never have been a kinder, more devoted or responsible person. Weinroth had a history of illness. "He profited from the fact that he might not live much longer and lived each day as if it were his last," said his colleague, Professor Myron Echenberg.

At the time of his death, he was completing a study on the British working class, which had always been his primary interest, although his dissertation was on Britain's foreign policy.

At McGill, Weinroth was an active member of the McGill Faculty Union and was chairman of the Library Committee of his department. One student said, "He was keen on doing something constructive for students about the

library" and added, "not only for the graduate students, but for all students."

Many students felt that Weinroth was totally devoted to them and that he was one of the best teaching professors the Department had.

Weinroth devoted time to many students. He was never too busy to discuss outside business, such as politics, books and even insurance policies.

"In departmental affairs, his efforts on behalf of students, his constant vigilance to ensure the maintenance of democratic procedures, and his intellectual excitement provide a model which many of us might strive to emulate," read the department's resolution to the Faculty of Arts.

Howard Weinroth will be missed by all who knew him and by those who profited from his deep concern and commitment to the social improvement of the human race.

Katherine Gutkind

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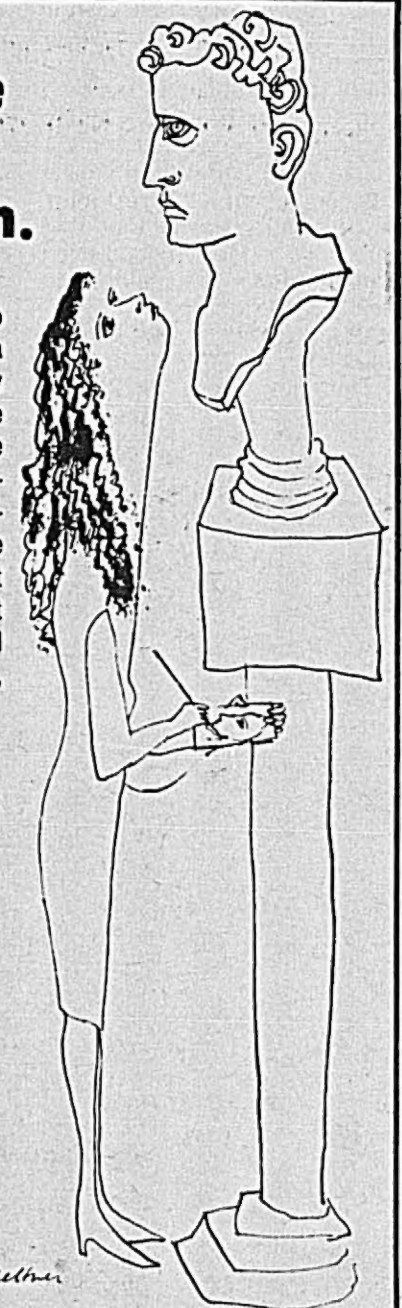
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Portugal:

Armed forces do about-face; poor forced back to slums

by Art Moses
for Canadian University Press

Lisbon (CUP) — Portugal's "doghouse" dwellers have been hard hit by the drastic political change in political environment here since November 25.

That day the entire military strength of the left was crushed, when armed forces chiefs declared a state of emergency in the Lisbon region. Commandeering all communications possibilities, they ended a paratroop rebellion, and moved conservative troops into Lisbon to disarm the local regiments - who hadn't committed themselves to the rebellion - but who had, for months, been aiding Lisbon's poor with concrete measures to better their lives.

Before November 25 residents of the shanty towns that ring Portugal's capital city had been organizing for major changes in their living conditions.

About one-third of Lisbon's 1,000,000 people are estimated to live in these makeshift

neighbourhoods, some without electricity, all without running water, and all without insulation from the terrible damp cold that falls on the city during the winter. The locals call the dwellings "barracas" (dog-houses) or *baixos de lata* (tin quarters).

After the fall of fascism in April 1974, barraca inhabitants created "commissaões de moradores", residents' commissions, to give direct political expression to their needs.

The commissions - working with similar groups in the inner-city - have occupied thousands of vacant houses and other buildings in the Lisbon region, using them to house the most needy families from the barracas and other poor neighbourhoods.

Many occupied buildings had been left vacant by speculator-owners demanding inflated rents. Others belonged to rich families who owned houses elsewhere in Portugal, where they lived only part of the year.

"We know that for them to have two houses, other people have none, or must live in barracas," says the residents' commission newsletter in one well-organized barraca.

In executing occupations the support of the local military regiments was critical.

The now-extinct COPCON — the operational command and security force — gathered information on all vacant buildings suitable for occupation.

When residents' commissions planned occupations, they would usually notify a military unit — COPCON, the extremely politicized Military Police (PM), or the military academy.

"We would get 5 or 6 calls a night from people making occupations," a now demobilized Military Police sergeant said in an interview. "The PMs were always used to defend the people."

Soldiers would often arrive before, during or after occupations to lend support. They would let people use military vehicles for transporting furniture and other equipment.

Legally, only occupations made before last April were eligible for governmental recognition. Under a law passed that month by a government dominated by leftist officers and Communist Party members, almost all subsequent occupations were considered illegal unless approved beforehand by municipal authorities. Nevertheless, the rate of occupations increased.

The real impetus came last July when the military leadership adopted a document called "MFA-POVO" (the alliance of the Armed Forces Movement with the people). The document advocated the devolution of real political power to residents' commissions, workers' commissions in all workplaces, and democratic plenaries of soldiers and sailors. The idea was known as "Poder Popular".

But by the next month the military leadership had split,

and more conservative elements gained hegemony. They demanded the creation of a new government dominated by the Socialist and Popular Democratic parties, both committed to traditional electoral democracy for Portugal. They wanted political power vested in a legislative assembly, not in popular movements.

Portugal got its new government, openly hostile to Poder Popular. The only military element continuing to take the idea seriously was the increasingly politicized rank and file.

Soldiers and sailors, supported by numerous progressive officers, began to assert themselves actively in the effort to end exploitation and injustice in Portugal.

Now with COPCON dissolved, other progressive regiments demobilized, many leftist officers imprisoned, and democratic soldiers' assemblies replaced by traditional military discipline following November 25, the fight for decent housing has been stopped. Many fear it will be reversed.

"There are a few occupations still going on now, but they are very different with the military backing gone," said a member of a downtown Lisbon residents' commission.

"There have been no cases of disoccupations yet, but we think in a short time there will be. We are trying to organize defence groups to help if the owners try to take back the houses, but if the government decides to surround the houses with police there isn't much we can do," he said.

(Before November 25 the police - unreconstructed since fascist times - had been relegated to simple traffic duty. Now they are flexing their muscles. On January 1 four people died when Republican National Guards opened fire on demonstrators outside a prison demanding the release of military men jailed after November 25.)

Apart from occupations, other measures to better living conditions are also in jeopardy.

Some residents' commissions had planned to construct new houses to replace their barracas, with the cooperation of Lisbon's Camara Municipal (municipal government). Financing was to have come from the residents' nominal rental payments over 20 years, along with a promised government subsidy.

"They've sent machines to prepare the land, but they haven't given us title to the land as they'd promised," said the chairman of the New Portugal Cooperative, the residents' commission for three barracas only 5 minutes walk from one of Lisbon's most fashionable areas. "Now they may just build new houses we can't afford."

"The 25th of November stopped all work on Poder Popular," according to the chairman, who works as a newspaper-truck driver. "Now the Camara won't listen to us."

The commissions formerly received sympathetic hearings from both national and municipal officials on such matters as

electrification, more outdoor water taps (the barracas' sole source of water), showers, and basic shack repairs. Often requests would be granted. Now the doors are closed.

The military engineers' regiment brought equipment to the New Portugal Cooperative before November 25 to dig a garbage dump. Other regiments provided trucks for transporting the barracas' youngsters' football team outside the city.

Now the military refuses any such assistance.

Despite the setbacks, the New Portugal Cooperative is continuing its work.

It opened a non-profit store selling basic food needs last February, and will soon open a cafe to fight high prices and profiteering in similar establishments nearby.

Since April 1974 it has operated a school for children who have completed four years of primary school. Most barraca children simply stopped formal education at that point; now they can improve basic skills and broaden general knowledge at the local school - staffed entirely by volunteers, and not recognized by the state.

The commission has also constructed a children's playground and developed a library.

For families unable to afford the high cost of electricity - higher still under the harsh austerity measures introduced since November 25 - the commission encourages families with electricity to improvise connections to their poorer neighbours' shacks and split the rates. So far, the electricity company has acquiesced.

In September the residents stopped paying rent to municipal authorities and transferred it to the commission for its projects.

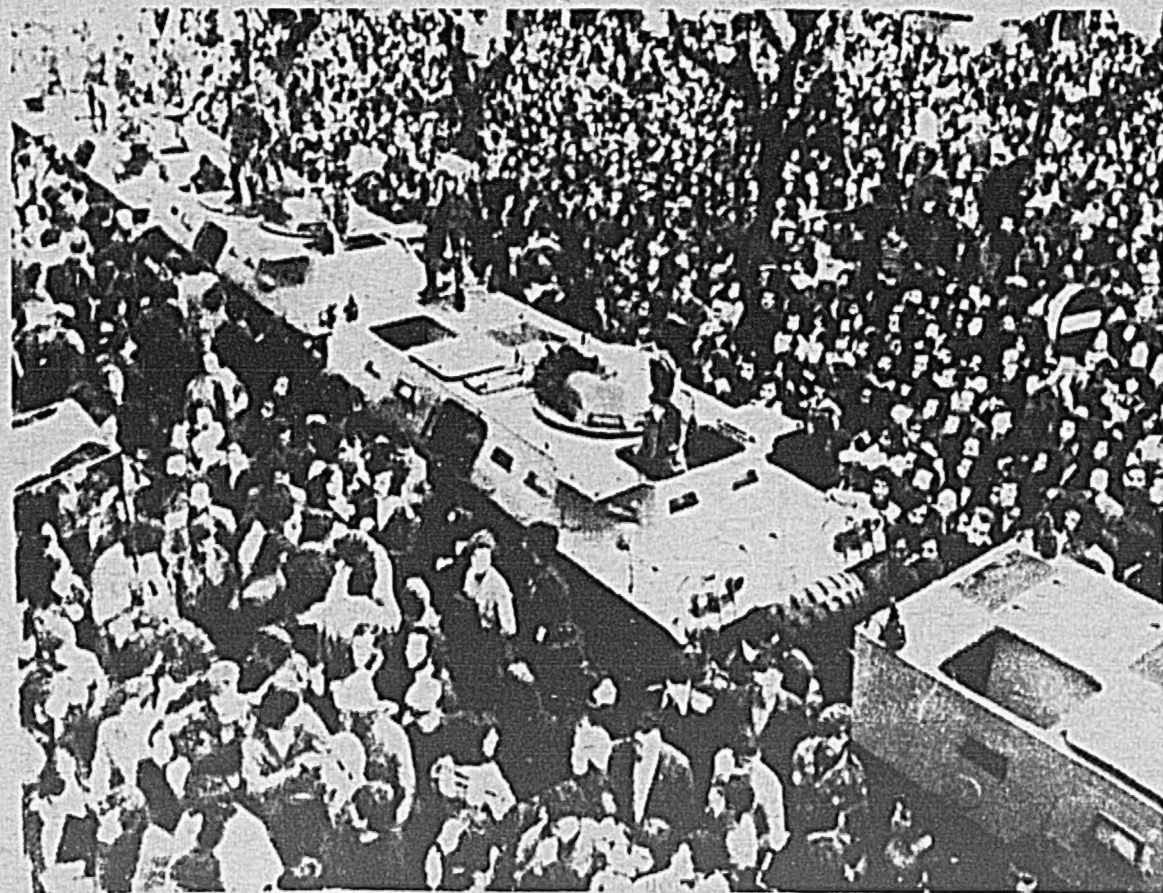
Residents' commissions outside the barracas don't have as much strength or mass support. Many inner-city neighbourhoods lack the barracas' class homogeneity; their issues aren't as clear cut. Thus, some neighbourhoods sport several competing residents' commissions aligned to different political groups - several on the left; one supporting the interests of the middle class.

In the wake of the November 25 disaster, activists in the popular movements are reassessing their work. They are trying to relate more directly to the people's needs, but, if anything, appear to be exacerbating sectarian divisions.

One worthwhile project involves the direct purchase of food from worker-controlled agricultural estates in southern Portugal. Residents will buy the food from their commissions and avoid middlemen's profits.

But with the Communist Party and the smaller leftist parties still blaming each other for the left's weakness on November 25, Portugal's authorities won't find it hard to institutionalize the reverses they dealt Lisbon's poor people that day.

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The Portuguese army in the days when it was the people's friend.

Women's intercollegiate scene

by Ivy Steinberg

Five McGill women's varsity teams headed to Ontario this past weekend. The volleyball team left on their own Thursday and returned Sunday. The basketball, ice hockey, swimming and diving teams traveled together. The excitement started early as we drove into a blizzard without seeing anything but overturned trucks. We somehow made it to Toronto before the bus broke and we switched our gear onto a new one. This is how we fared.

BASKETBALL

The year 1976 is looking up for the McGill Women's Basketball team. This past weekend the Super Squaws lived up to expectations winning both their games.

Friday evening the Super Squaws defeated York U 52-45. Linda Dimichele was not only the leading scorer with 17 points but also the leader on the boards, bringing down 11 rebounds. Judy Stafford tallied 12 points with Irena Markauskas close behind at 10.

The game on the whole went slowly. The team looked sluggish but were able to maintain the lead over the less experienced York team.

The second game of the weekend proved to be more of a challenge. The opposition, the Waterloo Ravens, played a strong man-to-man defence, giving McGill a fine opportunity

to work out new plays. The final buzzer saw McGill ahead 62-58 which was indicative of the tight margin of play between the two teams. Although the final score was close, McGill led throughout the game.

Yay, Judy!

Judy Stafford led the team offensively controlling the ball from the top of the key. Linda Dimichele was again the leading scorer with 17 points shooting 47%. Both Karen Adams and Judy Stafford shot for 50% and 12 points apiece.

Playing a tight man-to-man put McGill in foul trouble late in the second half. The squaws kept up the same pace until the final buzzer. McGill resumes its league play this weekend with games in Trois Rivières and Sherbrooke. Their first home game will be next Wednesday night, January 28 at 8 p.m. in the Currie Gym.

ICE HOCKEY

The hockey team split their two games on the weekend. They had little trouble with York Friday night as they skated to an 8-3 victory. The game was not as fast as it could have been and it was definitely very physical. The squaws got battered and pushed but remained to hold their ground. There was some minor confusion on the bench at times as they played without a coach.

The following morning they

prepared themselves for Guelph. The team was able to hold them at bay for the first half of the first period, but as their coach came screeching into the arena the floodgates opened. Guelph played their positions beautifully and with the aid of what could only have been Tretiak's sister they pommelled McGill 10-0.

GOOD EXPERIENCE

The Squaws learned an awful lot from one of the best teams

in the country. Hopefully the lesson will be put to use in the second half of the regular season. The players enjoyed themselves and thanks go to our substitute manager for a great job at all hours of the night.

SWIM MEET

Although with only part of their team, the McGill girls did fairly well. Lois Moralejo and Pat Smith both placed first in the 400 Individual Medley and

the 200 Breaststroke respectively. Good performances were put in by all the girls on the team.

In Guelph, the divers helped out in the relay races. The 300 yd. breaststroke relay and 200 yd. medley races placed third. The divers did well in the 1 meter diving event with Linda Wheeler placing second, Barb Miller third and Dominique Houde, fifth at York. They placed second in Guelph.

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Royal Life Saving Society Program	Starting	Day	Time
Instructors' Course (Screen Test)	Jan. 20	Tues	12:30 pm
Intermediate Bronze & Bronze Medallion	Jan. 20	Tues	12 noon
Award of Merit & Distinction	Jan. 20	Tues	1:30 pm
Intermediate Bronze & Bronze Medallion	Jan. 22	Thurs	12 noon
Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross, Award of Merit	Jan. 22	Thurs	7:00 pm

Red Cross Water Safety Program

Program	Starting	Day	Time
Juniors & Intermediates	Jan. 19	Mon	12:30 pm
Juniors & Seniors	Jan. 20	Tues	2:00 pm
Beginners, Juniors & Intermediate	Jan. 20	Tues	7:30 pm
Beginners & Juniors	Jan. 21	Wed	12:30 pm
Seniors	Jan. 22	Thurs	12:30 pm
Beginners & Intermediates	Jan. 22	Thurs	2:00 pm
Seniors	Jan. 22	Thurs	7:00 pm
Juniors	Jan. 23	Fri	12:30 pm

6-week classes

Program	Starting	Day	Time
Speed Swimming	Jan. 19, 21	Mon. Wed	3:30 pm
Synchronized Swimming (Star Program & Watershow)	Jan. 19	Mon	2:30 pm
Stroke Improvement	Jan. 19	Mon	12:30 pm
	Jan. 21	Wed	12:30 pm
	Jan. 23	Fri	12:30 pm
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Scarlet Key "AWARD"

Nominations for the Scarlet Key "AWARD" will be accepted up until February 16, 1976. Nominees should show qualities of distinction and character in some combination of academics, activities and athletics. The "AWARD" is McGill's only recognition to those students, MALE AND FEMALE, who have contributed to McGill life outside of their academic program.

Nomination papers should include name, address and telephone number, plus other pertinent information of the nominee, or pick up application forms from the Union Box Office. All applications should be placed in the Scarlet Key box at the Student Union, or sent to George Archer, Scarlet Key Coordinator, c/o The Graduates' Society, 3605 Mountain Street, Montreal H3G 2M1, Quebec.

MEN'S INTRAMURAL SPORTS

BROOMBALL

- Faculty league, entries close Tuesday, Jan. 20
- Compulsory Captains meeting, Wed., Jan. 21 at 5:15 in Room G20
- Play begins Sunday, January 25
- All games are played on Sundays between 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the Winter Stadium
- Brooms, helmets and sweaters are provided

INDOOR SOCCER

- Open league, entries close Tuesday, Jan. 27
- Compulsory captains meeting Thursday, Jan 29, 5:15 in Rm. G20
- Play begins Saturday, January 31

BASKETBALL

- Open league, entries close Wednesday, Jan. 28
- Compulsory captains meeting Thursday, Jan. 29, 5:15 Rm G20
- Play begins Monday, Feb. 2

OFFICIALS

- Officials are needed for the above sports. If interested, contact the Men's Intramural Department.

For further information contact the Men's Intramural Department in room G7 of the Currie Gym, or phone 392-4730.

Constitution of Students' Society is due for Revision

Applications are hereby called for:

A Committee to restructure the Students' Society

consisting of six students, three Faculty members, and two non-Academic staff members to be appointed by the Interim Policy Committee to carry out the following Mandate:

- [a] To investigate the fit of the Students' Society as presently constituted to the current needs of the McGill student body.
- [b] To encourage and receive briefs on the above from all interested parties.
- [c] To hold open meetings and workshops in all parts of the University to obtain student views and constructive suggestions.
- [d] To develop a report by February 23, 1976 with proposals for a new Constitution for the Students' Society.
- [e] To hold open meetings to discuss the Committee Report.
- [f] To hold a referendum on the Committee Report on or before March 1, 1976. (Suspension of the present Constitution eliminates the quorum problem and makes such a referendum possible.)
- [g] To submit the final report to Senate for consideration at its meeting of March 10, 1976.

An Interim Management Committee

consisting of the following members to be appointed by the Interim Policy Committee:

- [a] four student members
 - [b] one member from within the operating areas of the University
 - [c] one member from areas which interact with the community
 - [d] the Dean of Students
- with the following mandate:
- [a] To be responsible to the student body and to Senate for the administration of the day-to-day functions of the Students' Society until such time as a new Constitution is formalized.
 - [b] To ensure wide publicity and discussion of the proposals for the new Constitution.
 - [c] To ensure the presentation of the new Constitution to Senate at its meeting of March 10, 1976.
 - [d] To be responsible for any enabling assignments by Senate, e.g. the first elections following the approval of the new Constitution.
 - [e] The Dean of Students shall act as the Chairman of the Interim Management Committee and shall have a vote only in case of a tie.

NOW is the time to GET INVOLVED - APPLY!
Forms to be picked up at the Students' Society Office, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
DEADLINE: Friday, January 23, 5:00 p.m.